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London, Jan. 5.—While the battle on the borders of Bessarabia is apparently still far from decided each side thinks the Russians claiming the occupation of additional enemy positions, and Petrograd believes that if this process continues a short time longer, a break must come somewhere in the lines of the central powers.

between the German armies, in the center, and the southern Austrian forces, and the desperate Austrian attacks in the region of Kolitz are designed to prevent this. The fighting must continue for a considerable time yet, but upon the result will depend in large measure the strategy of both sides when spring comes.

For England the attitude the labor men will take regarding conscription at a great conference to be held in London to-morrow is a matter of anxiety.

Robert Williams, leader of the important Transport Workers' Union, declared tonight:

"It is practically assured that the conference will affirm the rejection of con-

created a wide sensation. A considerable part of the English press questions the veracity of the witnesses. The Globe expresses doubt whether there is any such person as Larimore Holland, and suggests: "The next time Van Bettmann-Hollweg's subordinates invent a witness they should provide one who is more convincing."

At the same time the ordinary citizen is disinclined to accept without corroboration what is regarded as contradictory evidence.

Washington, Jan. 5.—It was authoritatively stated to-night that the United States government would not agree to the suggestion by Sir Edward Grey to Germany that a tribunal of American naval officers investigate subversive

Am Ambassador Paez at London, through whom Sr. Edward's communication was forwarded to Berlin, probably will await an expression from the German government concerning its attitude before he brings the subject to the attention of the state department here.

Officials conversant with the situation, however, say informally that the United States undoubtedly will continue to support

**RUTLAND COUNTY FAIR
SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS**

Receipts \$12,665.95 and Attendance 34,649 at 1915 Fair.

The trustees, Mr. Wilson, James C. Dunn and Miles S. Sawyer of this city and J. M. Buxton of Middletown Springs, reported that the profit of the last fair

The reduction of debt would have been greater by \$50 had it not been for damage to the roof of the Arts and Crafts building by a fire.

The following officers were elected: President, F. M. Wilcox of Rutland; vice-presidents, W. C. Carter of Pittsford and Robert Mead of West Rutland; secretary, W. K. Farnsworth of Rutland.

Ex-Ambassador to Mexico (J. J. Wilson) predicts failure of Carranza government "from within" because Carranza is unable to cope with the situation.